2nd clause. Your Committee beg leave to report that under the advice of the City Solicitor they have not the power to grant the petition of J. Gauld for remission of taxes.

3rd clause. That the petition of Arthur Wallace, for an increase of salary be referred to the Council.

4th. That they have appointed J. M Keary Secretary of Committees.

On motion, the report was received and considered *seriatim*.

1st clause read and passed

2nd clause read.

Ald. Hyman moved, seconded by Ald Pritchard, that Mr. Gould's tax on income be remitted. Carried.

3rd clause read and passed.

Moved by Ald. Hyman, seconded by Ald. Birrell, that Mr. Wallace receive $700 per annum.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Buckle, seconded by Ald. Murray, that the salary be $500.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Jones, seconded by Ald O'Meara, that inasmuch as Mr. Wallace has given notice to this Council that he will not assess the city unless he get a salary of $800 per annum, be it therefore resolved that in the event of Mr. Wallace refusing to assess the city for the usual salary of $500 per annum, a successor be appointed immediately.

Ald. Buckle's amendment lost on the following division:—

Yeas —Alds. Murray, O'Meara, Jones. Ferguson, Higgins, Buckle and Peel.

Nays.—Pritchard, Hunt, Brown, Hyman, Taylor, Skinner, Beattie, Crawford, Boyd, Macbeth, Becher and Sharman.

Ald. Higgins moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Browne, that the question of salaries for assessors be left over until the meeting of the Committee on Salaries, to report on the salaries of all the other officials of this city. Lost.

Yeas.—Murray, O'Meara, Jones, Ferguson, Higgins, Browne, Buckle, Macbeth, Peel, Sharman.—10.

Nays.—Pritchard, Hunt, Birrell, Hyman, Beattie, Skinner, Taylor, Crawford, Boyd, Becher.—10.

His Worship gave the casting vote against the amendment.

4th clause read and adopted.

COMMITTEE NO. 2.

Ald. Boyd, Chairman of No. 2 Committee, submitted the following report:

Your Committee beg to report as follows:—

1. Your Committee have examined the following accounts and passed the same for payment:—

Commissioners pay sheet for labors $14 13; James Wright & Co., $93 94.

2 The Engineer was instructed to write to the Hamilton Bridge Co. and state this Committee here will recommend the Council to strictly enforce the penalties for the non fulfilment of their contract.

3 That the offer of Wm. Anthistle for the delivery of stone at the Exhibition Grounds unbroken at $2 50 per cord, and broken when required in the streets at $3 be accepted.

4 That the proposition of H. M. Douglass to deliver unbroken stones on the Exhibition Grounds for $2 per cord and that three teams be put on daily be accepted.

5. That the men receive $3 50 per cord for breaking stones during the coming season.

6. That the Chairman of this Committee and the Chairman of Committee No. 1 Board of Water Commissioners, Board of Education, Board of Relief Committee and School Trustees, and the Mayor confer with a view to defining the remuneration to be paid to the Engineer for his services.

7. That the disputed claims for work on the Exhibition Grounds as determined by the award of the arbitrators, be paid in full of all demands as follows:—

Mr. Lucas	$ 84 03
Wm Noble	101 13
M. Mulrooney	10 00
R Lewis	5 00
R Oke	24 50
J. G. Scragg	8 (0
Wm. Woodward	10 67
Brown & Morris	32 98
Ferguson Bros	26 32
J. Thornton	180 00
Total	$482 63

8. That the Engineer be instructed to prepare specifications for the construction of ashphalt sidewalks.

Report received and adopted.

COMMITTEE NO. 3.

Ald. Hunt, Chairman of this Committee submitted his report.

Your Committee beg to report following named gentlemen as applicants for the position of License and Relief Officers of this city:—

F. G Love—Fell out on first ballot.

John Law—Fell out on first ballot.

James Ward First ballot 1; counted out on second ballot.

George Christie—First ballot 3, second 2, third 3, fourth 1, fifth 1, sixth 3, seventh 1. Fell out.

George H. Allan—Fell out on first ballot

Wm. Gilmour—First ballot 1, second 2, third 1. Fell out.

Hiram Lee—First ballot 5, second 6. third 4, fourth 8, fifth 7, sixth 5, seventh 8, eighth 7, ninth 9.

Lewis Adams—First ballot 1, second 1 third 1, fourth 1, fifth 1, sixth 4, seventh 2, eighth 3 Fell out.

John Phillips—First ballot 1, second 1. Fell out.

Richard Wigmore—First ballot 4, second 6, third 7, fourth 9, fifth 7, sixth 6, seventh 7, eight 11, ninth 11.

Thos. R. Cathro—Fell out on first ballot.

Jas D. Findlater—Fell out on first ballot.

George E. Evans—Fell out on first ballot.

Daniel O'Hearn—First ballot 4, second 3, third 2, fourth 1, fifth 4, sixth 2

Richard Wigmore was declared elected and on motion the report was adopted.

HOUR OF MEETING

Ald. Jones moved, seconded by Ald Hunt, that hereafter the Council hold its meetings at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. O Meara, that the question be given a three months' hoist. Carried.

STATISTICS.

Ald. Pritchard moved, seconded by Ald. Boyd, that this city, having in the past been placed at great disadvantage for want of some system of statistics, showing contemplating settlers the vast amount of business transacted and manufacturing carried on here, and believing the time has now arrived when some steps should be taken in that direction, we would recommend the Council to appoint a special committee to devise some plan to gather such information as would show the amount of business transacted in this municipality during the past year: 1st. The amount of produce handled by London dealers. 2nd. The gross amount of wholesale business. 3rd. The amount of manufactured goods and number of hands employed. 4th. Amount of banking capital and money loaned, together with such information as may be beneficial to the interest of the city by being made public.

On motion of Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. ———, the matter was referred to No. 1 Committee, the mover to be included.

NEW RAILWAYS.

The Mayor addressed the Council in explanation of his position at a recent meeting of the L. & P. S. R. Board. He said that he was a strong advocate of building the new road, but any statements at the meeting referred to would not have helped the cause. He said the matter would shortly come before the House at Toronto, and steps should be taken by the Council to aid in carrying a Bill granting the charter.

Moved by Ald. Jones, and seconded, that His Worship the Mayor, Ald. Hyman, Ald. Birrell, and the mover (Ald Jones), be a deputation, with power to add to their number, to wait upon the House with a view of carrying the London Junction Railway charter.

The resolution was carried.

Council adjourned for two weeks.